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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Mary M. Bard of Shawneetown, who passed away on April 12, 2007; and

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WHEREAS, Mary Bard was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Shawneetown, and the Daughters of Isabella; she was born in Sydney, Australia on November 18, 1923, to John Patrick McCristal and Emily Muriel Kelly; and

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WHEREAS, She became acquainted with Milent Russell "Ike" Bard, an American soldier stationed in Sydney during World War II, and they were married in Sydney, Australia on November 10, 1945; and

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WHEREAS, Mary Bard left her family, friends, and her homeland at the age of 22 and came to East Prairie, Missouri, to start a family; and

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WHEREAS, Mary Bard was preceded in death by her husband of 59 years, Milent R. "Ike" Bard; her brother, Frederick Thomas McCristal; and her sisters, Muriel Agnes Boag, Kathleen Edwards, and Hilda Marjorie Stratford; and

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WHEREAS, She is survived by her loving family; her

1 daughters and three sons-in-law, Denise and Al White, Karen and
2 James Keasler, Diane Graves, and Cecilia and Mark Wilson; her
3 sons and two daughters-in-law, Bruce and Linda Bard, and
4 Richard and Pamela Bard; her grandchildren, LaDawn February Avis
5 and Scott, Julie and David Graves, Brian White and Nicole,
6 Kris, Ryan and Brad Kilmer, Abigail and Kallie Keasler, Katie
7 and Drew Wilson and James and Michael McLachlan; her
8 great-granddaughters, Adrienne White and Madeline Avis; her
9 great-grandsons, Jack White and Michael Duke Avis; and her
10 sisters, Valma Mavis and Dorothy Grace Musgrave; therefore, be
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12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
14 her family and friends, the passing of Mary M. Bard; and be it
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16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to the family of Mary M. Bard as a symbol of our
18 sympathy.